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For:	MIXED LIPOPEPTIDE MICELLES FOR INDUCING AN IMMUNE RESPONSE AND THEIR THERAPEUTIC USES	Dated:	March 7, 2001

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

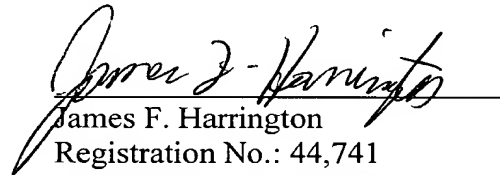
This communication is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 8, 2001. In the Restriction Requirement, it is stated that Applicants are required to select one species from the antigenic determinants and one species of the lipoproteins to be examined.

Accordingly, for the antigenic determinant species, Applicants elect c) CTL antigenic determinant from HIV, Claims 10, 14, 21, and 24. With regard to the lipoproteins, Applicants elect species b) GAG 253, Claim 11.

The Restriction Requirement also indicates that the specification is objected to for failure to append SEQ ID Nos. to the specific sequences in the specification and the claims. Applicants note that a Supplemental Preliminary Amendment was filed on January 2, 2001 in order to amend the specification and claims to reflect the sequences contained in the sequence listing and to include appropriate headings in accordance with U.S. practice.

Accordingly, this application is now believed to be in condition for examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,


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